

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the specification, at page 41, lines 16-24, please delete the existing paragraph and replace with the following paragraph after implementing the following changes:

FIG. 18A and FIG. 18B. DNA and amino acid sequences of the variable regions of the 3G4 antibody, encompassing complementarity determining regions (CDRs) of the 3G4 antibody. DNA and amino acid sequences for the heavy (FIG. 18A; SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:2) and light (FIG. 18B; SEQ ID NO:3 and SEQ ID NO:4) chains are presented, and the restriction sites in the DNA sequences are shown. The leader sequence is distinguished from the mature protein, which begins as shown by the first arrow in each of FIG. 18A and FIG. 18B. In the heavy chain, the amino acid sequence of CDR1 is SEQ ID NO:10, CDR2 is SEQ ID NO:11 and CDR3 is SEQ ID NO:12. In the light chain, the amino acid sequence of CDR1 is SEQ ID NO:13, CDR2 is SEQ ID NO:14 and CDR3 is SEQ ID NO:15. Exemplary means of grafting each variable sequence with a human constant region are set forth, wherein the first part of the respective human constant region sequences (SEQ ID NO:7 and SEQ ID NO:8) is shown by the second arrow in each of FIG. 18A and FIG. 18B.

In the specification, at page 68, lines 26-32, please delete the existing, once amended paragraph and replace with the following, twice amended paragraph after implementing the following changes:

Further aspects of the invention concern at least one CDR that has a CDR amino acid sequence encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:4, or a variant or mutagenized form thereof. Other aspects of the invention concern a CDR, antibody, or antigen binding region thereof, which binds to at least a first aminophospholipid or anionic phospholipid, preferably PS, and which comprises at least one CDR with a CDR amino acid sequence encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:4, or a variant or mutagenized form thereof, wherein such a variant or mutagenized form maintains binding to the aminophospholipid or anionic phospholipid, preferably PS. The heavy chain CDR amino acid sequences encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 are: VH CDR1 of SEQ ID NO:10, VH CDR2 of SEQ ID NO:11 and VH CDR3

of SEQ ID NO:12. The light chain CDR amino acid sequences encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4 are: VL CDR1 of SEQ ID NO:13, VL CDR2 of SEQ ID NO:14 and VL CDR3 of SEQ ID NO:15.

In the specification, at page 71, lines 23-31, please delete the existing, once amended paragraph and replace with the following, twice amended paragraph after implementing the following changes:

Further aspects of the invention concern an isolated polynucleotide that contains a nucleotide sequence that encodes at least one CDR that has a CDR amino acid sequence encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:4, or a variant or mutagenized form thereof. Other aspects of the invention concern an isolated polynucleotide that contains a nucleotide sequence that encodes a CDR, antibody, or antigen binding region thereof, which binds to at least a first aminophospholipid or anionic phospholipid, preferably PS, and which comprises at least one CDR with a CDR amino acid sequence encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:4, or a variant or mutagenized form thereof, wherein such a variant or mutagenized form maintains binding to the aminophospholipid or anionic phospholipid, preferably PS. The heavy chain CDR amino acid sequences encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 are: VH CDR1 of SEQ ID NO:10, VH CDR2 of SEQ ID NO:11 and VH CDR3 of SEQ ID NO:12. The light chain CDR amino acid sequences encompassed by the variable region amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4 are: VL CDR1 of SEQ ID NO:13, VL CDR2 of SEQ ID NO:14 and VL CDR3 of SEQ ID NO:15.

In the specification, at page 280, lines 7-14, please delete the existing paragraph and replace with the following paragraph after implementing the following changes:

SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:2 include part of the mouse leader sequence and constant chain sequences, as shown in FIG. 18A. The leader sequence is represented by amino acids 1 through 19 of SEQ ID NO:2, and the mature protein begins as shown by the arrow in FIG. 18A. The heavy chain CDR amino acid sequences encompassed by this variable region

amino acid sequence are VH CDR1 of SEQ ID NO:10, VH CDR2 of SEQ ID NO:11 and VH CDR3 of SEQ ID NO:12. Sufficient complementarity determining region sequence information is thus included by the sequence of the mature protein up to the sequence portion concluding VSS, after which the amino acids are not essential for antigen binding. As such, the BstEII site in the nucleic acid sequence can be used as a convenient site to prepare a functional mouse variable region, *e.g.*, for use in grafting onto a human constant region (FIG. 18A).

In the specification, at page 280, lines 22-31, please delete the existing, once amended paragraph and replace with the following, twice amended paragraph after implementing the following changes:

The nucleic acid and amino acid sequences of the variable region of the light chain (V κ) of the 3G4 antibody, encompassing CDR1-3, are represented by SEQ ID NO:3 and SEQ ID NO:4, respectively. SEQ ID NO:3 and SEQ ID NO:4 again include part of the mouse leader sequence and constant chain sequences, as shown in FIG. 18B. The leader sequence is amino acids 1 through 22 of SEQ ID NO:4, and the mature protein begins as shown by the arrow in FIG. 18B. The light chain CDR amino acid sequences encompassed by this variable region amino acid sequence are VL CDR1 of SEQ ID NO:13, VL CDR2 of SEQ ID NO:14 and VL CDR3 of SEQ ID NO:15. Sufficient complementarity determining region sequence information is included by the sequence of the mature protein up to the sequence portion concluding TVF, after which the amino acids are not essential for antigen binding. As such, the BbsI site in the nucleic acid sequence can be used as a convenient site to prepare a functional mouse variable region, *e.g.*, for use in grafting onto a human constant region (FIG. 18B).